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SUBJECT: DARWIN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

REFERENCE: STATE 128629

1. DR. ROY CAMERON, PRESIDENT OF DARWIN RESEARCH INSTITUTE, HAS SOUGHT DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THREATENED ARREST IN GUAYAQUIL OF INSTITUTE'S U.S. CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE, CHRIS CHRISTENSEN, BECAUSE OF INSTITUTE'S FAILURE TO PAY DOLS 3,600 OWED TO LOCAL SHIPPING COMPANY (SUA COMPANIA LIMITADA) FOR CHARTER OF SHIP USED IN GALAPAGOS RESERACH CRUISE LAST SUMMER.

2. WE SUGGESTED TO CAMERON THAT CHRISTENSEN CONTACT CONSULATE GENERAL, GUAYAQUIL.

3. REFTTEL PROVIDES INFO ON INSTITUTE AND ITS ACTIVITIES. CAMERON SAYS HE ALSO DISCUSSED INSTITUTE'S PROGRAM WITH NAVAL ATTACHE ZINSLER DURING VISIT TO QUITO IN JULY.

4. ACCORDING TO CAMERON, INSTITUTE HAS ENCOUNTERED FINANCIAL PROBLEMS AND CURRENTLY LACKS FUNDS TO PAY FOR SHIP CHARTER. KISSINGER

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